Resolution No. 140

WHEREAS, The state of Washington in 1970 adopted enabling legislation creating the nation's first siting council which under the authority of chapter 80.50 Revised Code of Washington has executed site certification agreements for the construction and operation of seven nuclear electric generating facilities; these projects and dates of certification being more specifically identified as:

WPPSS No. 2, executed May 17, 1972 and amended September 25, 1975,

WPPSS Nos. 1 and 4, executed August 8, 1975,

WPPSS Nos. 3 and 5, executed October 27, 1976,

PSP&L Units 1 and 2, executed January 5, 1977, and

WHEREAS, It is the intent of the state of Washington Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council under chapter 80.50 RCW to more fully provide for:

- (1) Processing of energy facility applications for site certification,
- (2) Developing and recommending to the Governor the terms and conditions for construction and operation of energy facilities,
- (3) Auditing of the certificate holder's monitoring program to insure continued compliance with the site certification agreement, and
- (4) Working with state, regional and federal agencies on matters pertaining to energy facilities to avoid unnecessary duplication and to protect the interests of the citizens of the state of Washington, and

WHEREAS, The Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council is deeply concerned over the extended federal and state hearing process, apparent overlap and duplication of effort, limited citizen accessability to information, and escalating energy costs to consumers, and

WHEREAS, Representatives of the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission and the Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council have discussed the feasibility of pursuing joint activities between their respective agencies, and WHEREAS, The Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council recognizes the benefits that may be achieved for the citizens of the state of Washington through closer coordination, improved communications and more complete integration of efforts with the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission to gain greater efficiency and effectiveness;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council actively seek a series of agreements with the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission designed to reflect state interests to assure the adequacy and sufficiency of operational safeguards, to preserve and protect the quality of the environment and to provide abundant energy at reasonable cost through the reduction of duplication and overlap of management systems to achieve better understanding and cooperation and to assure timely construction and operation of energy facilities.

Dated this 27th day of March 1978.

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SITE EVALUATION COUNCIL

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